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## **AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents BOX NON-FEE AMENDMENT Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

After entering the amendment of December 11, 2001, please amend the claims as follows:

A compact disc processing system comprising:

a supply station for holding a plurality of blank compact discs;

a printer for printing indicia on a first compact disc, the printer includes an extendable drawer adapted to receive the first compact disc;

a recorder for recording information on the first compact disc, the recorder includes an extendable drawer to receive the first compact disc; and

a transporter carriage for simultaneously holding the first and second compact discs on first and second planes, the transporter carriage is movable in both vertical and a horizontal directions to place and pick up the first compact disc from the drawers of both the recorder and printer, the transporter carriage is movable in both vertical and a horizontal directions to pick up one of the plurality of blank compact discs held at the supply location,

the transporter carriage comprises a pickup arm and a gripping head attached to one end of the pickup arm, the gripping head has first and second gripping locations each for respectively holding the first and second compact discs simultaneously, such that the

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first and second compact discs maintain a fixed axial position while engaged by the gripping head, and the gripping head is rotatable about a horizontal axis of the pick up arm.

A method of operating a disc processing system comprising a recorder for recording data on the compact disc, and a transporter carriage for simultaneously holding at least two compact discs on first and second planes, the method comprising:

gripping a first compact disc located in the recorder with a single horizontal rotatable gripper head of the transporter carriage;

removing the first compact disc from the recorder with the gripper head such that the first compact disc and a second compact disc are held in fixed relative positions by the gripper head; and

placing the second compact disc in the recorder without releasing the first compact disc or moving the transporter carriage from the recorder to a compact disc supply location.

## Remarks

## Telephone Interview

Applicant thanks Examiner Chu for the courtesy of a telephone interview on February 6, 2002 to discuss the status of the application. Applicant agreed to amend claim 23 to clarify how the discs are held.